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Disorders***

Hunger Council

In partnership with:

***The Leadership
Council on Aging***

***Great Start
Livingston***



2014

Annual Report to the Community



***“Ensuring a System of
Support
for Members of Our
Community”***



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Message from the Chair

In this time of fiscal constraints, budget reductions, and increased public expectations, we are all struggling with how to support our priorities, make planning "real," allocate resources, and develop ways for agencies to address current as well as emerging challenges. This is where the Livingston County Human Services Collaborative Body (HSCB) comes in. Partnerships are critical to programmatic success and sustainability. Within these pages, you will read about the impact and combined efforts that continue to drive the work that we do. Each of these amazing collaborations/workgroups tirelessly works on prevention and treatment services to improve lives along the way. With gratitude for your continued support.

Bobette A. Schrandt



HSCB Mission

***"Ensuring a system of support for
members of our community"***

HSCB Values

- We believe the needs of children, adults, and families drive our planning and services.
- We believe that collaboration means shared stewardship of community resources for the common good of Livingston County.
- We believe that collaboration requires broad community representation.
- We believe the HSCB is responsible for developing continuums of service from prevention to treatment.
- We believe the HSCB should ensure that community members needing services from multiple agencies receive services as efficiently and effectively as possible by creating systems of care.
- We believe that the HSCB should provide a caring community for Livingston County residents by supporting each other's work.

**What is the Purpose of the Human
Services Collaborative Body?**

The Livingston HSCB started in 1989 and was officially recognized as the county Multi-Purpose Collaborative Body by the state and county Board of Commissioners in 1995. Now, referred to as a "Community Collaborative" by the state, the HSCB is comprised of 26 appointed members who work together to coordinate health and human services across systems. The HSCB also:

- Develops strategies and programs to meet current and future needs
- Fiscally manages state-funded collaborative initiatives
- Monitors the effectiveness and efficiency of collaborative projects

The HSCB does this work through established committees and workgroups which have specific goals and objectives to complete. The HSCB and most workgroups meet monthly and consist of representatives from public and nonprofit organizations, businesses, and interested residents of the county. To learn more about the work of the HSCB, contact Anne Rennie at 517-586-2039 or arennie@cmhliv.org.



Network of the HSCB & Affiliated Collaborative Groups	Role within the Community
Livingston County Hunger Council	Works to develop a sustainable food system for hunger.
Community Needs Assessment Committee	Assesses health and human service needs in Livingston County & assists in the evaluation of collaborative projects.
Foster, Adoption, and Kinship Services (FAKS)	Works to increase the number of local foster homes & provides supports for foster parents & children.
Funding Partners	Monitors collaborative projects in Livingston County.
Healthy Habits for Youth	Works to connect service organizations and schools towards helping youth establish healthy habits for life.
Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Prevention	Provides education & training on Substance Use Disorders information and trends in Livingston County.
Transportation Coalition	Collaborates to identify and address transportation concerns in Livingston County.
Homeless Continuum of Care	Advocating and supporting homelessness prevention in Livingston County.
Mental Health Awareness Committee	Identifies and implements suicide prevention plan components for Livingston County.
Leadership Council on Aging- Affiliate Collaborative	Implementing the recommendations to develop an Aging in Place environment in Livingston County.
Great Start Livingston- Affiliate Collaborative	Implementing Livingston County Great Start Plan.

Workgroup Accomplishments of 2014

Foster, Adoption and Kinship Services (FAKS Workgroup)

This year, the FAKS workgroup updated materials and promotional items including the website and Facebook pages. They added new members, new goals, outcomes and data collection. The Workgroup:

- Held fundraisers to support families
- Provided events to support parents and families
 - Foster Parent recognition dinner
 - Summer Picnic for foster/kinship families
 - Christmas Party for foster/kinship families



Homeless Continuum of Care Workgroup (HCCC)

This year the HCCC Updated the 10 year plan to end homelessness in Livingston County and held a Strategic Planning session that resulted in the creation of subcommittees to work on the 10 year plan initiatives. The Workgroup:

- Began working with Landlords and stabilizing housing for our at risk residents
- Created the Utility Task Force
- Piloted a coordinated assessment process
- Created a 3 pronged approach to the Homelessness Awareness Campaign
- Community Connect 2014!

Healthy Habits for Youth Workgroup

- Gathered data to create a county-wide resource book that outlines programs and services to support healthy habits in youth. The book will be completed in early 2015.

Community Needs Assessment Workgroup

This year, the Community Needs Workgroup increased membership and county representation and updated goals, objectives and website. The Workgroup:

- Reviewed county-wide data (including BRFS) to ensure priority needs are being addressed
- Redistributed fact sheets for updates to information
- Finalized the Livingston County Data Dashboard using key local data indicators
- Develop strategies and goals to address revealed gaps from the Behavioral Risk Factor Survey and MAPP process



Transportation Coalition

This year the Transportation Coalition held a Strategic Planning session and identified goals and objectives for the coming years. The Coalition:

- Updated marketing materials and webpage
- Are working to develop a presentation to help educate and engage the residents of the community to support the county's most vulnerable (seniors, veterans, disabled).
- Connected the county's transportation providers to reduce gaps
- Added members to the group



Substance Use Disorders Workgroup

This year, the Substance Use Disorders Workgroup held a small strategic direction meeting that helped to update goals, objectives and the webpage. The Workgroup:

- Held three successful events in October to educate, inform and engage the community in the fight against opiates
 - Rally – 62 attendees
 - Training – 62 attendees
 - Community Forum -58 attendees
- Identified the steps needed to develop a quarterly newsletter to share with the community about trends and issues in our community
- Collaborated with the Red Barrel Initiative to eliminate unused prescriptions from the market
- Run Against Drugs generated \$9,000 and was able to support 4 mini-grants

Mental Health Awareness Committee

This year, the Mental Health Awareness Committee provided over 1,000 students with suicide prevention presentations. The Committee:

- Worked to add Brighton to the committee
- Increased follow-up with the notecards and discussions with the students
- Will be adding a parent component in the next year, including email communication and presentation
- Began the process to gather pre- and post-tests for data collection

Funding Partners Workgroup

This group comes together to monitor collaborative projects in the county.

- Added members to the Community Consultant Team
- Of the 83 families served in Wraparound this year, 71% of high risk youth served made statistically significant improvements in functioning and 77% remained in least restrictive settings through Wraparound
- Was able to add a Wraparound Case Manager through a partnership with the Drug Court
- The Trauma Informed Systems of Care initiative provided 10 children with intensive Trauma Assessments to support their growth and development
- Held an event in September to celebrate 20 years of Wraparound in Livingston County



Basic Needs Workgroup

- This workgroup conducted a goal assessment and felt confident they had achieved their goals outlined. This includes creating sustainable systems to address the basic needs of our community residents
- The group dissolved knowing they had achieved their goals and can reconvene if new goals are identified

Thank You for all of your hard work!



Hunger Council

This year, the Hunger council created a Marketing Plan to keep hunger on the radar in our county. The Council:

- Had 14 Community Gardens that donated 12,000 pounds of produce to our community
- Summer Lunch Bunch provided 13,332 meals this year and was able to add a Howell school site
- Developed relationships with 3 local farmers' markets, that resulted in the bridge card being accepted to purchase fresh produce
- Over 800 volunteers supported the Summer Lunch Bunch Program and Community Gardens this summer
- Continued to support Cooking Matters, mobile pantries, emergency food and holiday baskets

Events by the Numbers

Summer Lunch Bunch - 13,332 Meals

Community Gardens - 12,000 lbs of food

Summer Kid's Connect/Backpack Event - 900 backpacks and 15 agencies providing other donations to community kids

2014 Community Connect - 800 guests and 400 volunteers

Opiate Awareness - 182 participants

Transportation Strategic Plan - 37 participants

FAKS Parent Support Events - 305 guests

Senior Center Surveys - 423 completed

Suicide prevention presentations - 1,062 students

Landlord/tenant law training - 20 participants

HSCB 2011-14 Priorities

The HSCB is measuring their progress on these three year goals and will be developing new priorities for the coming years.

- ✓ Combating Violence within the Community
- ✓ Work together to support and eliminate barriers to achieving basic needs
- ✓ Making the county desirable for seniors to age in place
- ✓ Combating Substance Abuse in our county
- ✓ Helping children to be safe, healthy and eager to succeed in school and life
- ✓ Increase awareness and engage the community in pro-wellness activities
- ✓ Create linkages to support productive and short-lived unemployment



HSCB Affiliated Collaborative Groups

Livingston Leadership Council on Aging

- Reconnected with the Board of Commissioners
- Achieved designation as a Michigan Community for a Lifetime by the State of Michigan
- Conducted a Senior Assessment Survey which was completed by 423 seniors
- Engaged local senior center directors

Great Start Livingston

- Continued to assess and improve school readiness in pre K population
- Worked with local school districts to conduct Kindergarten Observations
- Completed a parent survey with 500 parents
- Collected over 19,000 diapers in the Annual Diaper Drive
- Distributed 900 Backpacks at the Backpacks for Kids and Connect for Kids Event

